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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION **UNDER 37 CFR 1.121**

Dear Sir:

In reference to the above-identified patent application, this is a response to an Office Action having a mailing date of August 15, 2003 and a statutory period for response that expires on November 15, 2003.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.